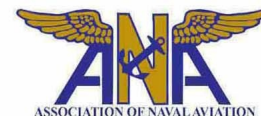




ANA **GRAMPAW PETTIBONE**
SQUADRON INC.

1 JULY 2015

www.gpsana.org



Editor Hal McDonnel

C.O. **Tim Brown** - timb53@hotmail.com

X.O. **Bob Ancil** - md11sim@adelphia.net

OPS **Cyntha Macha** - cm@wmof.com

Asst, OPS **George Del Gaudio** - georgenavybuff@aol.com

Membership **Fran Pieri** - graeagle@cox.net

Asst. Membership **Sel Ramsay** - ramsayengineerco@cs.com

Treasurer **Dolores Hardy** - 562-936-0287

Asst, Treasurer **Carol Fields** - t6pilot@dslextreme.com

The Grampaw Pettibone Squadron is a non-profit organization (IRS Sect. 501(C)(4) which, through meetings, discussions, speaker programs, and periodic field trips, serves to educate squadron members and the general public on the requirements of an adequate national defense, especially maritime aviation, which is essential to a free society, and to support the military professionals (active and reserve) responsible for many aspects of national defense. GPS also seeks to foster the strong pride, esprit, and fraternal bonds which exist among those associated with Naval Aviation

PAO **Dick Fields** - t6pilot@dslextreme.com

Admin. **Hal McDonnel** - hmcddonnelz@yahoo.com

Flt. Surgeon **Dr Bob Helton** - bobby726921@gmail.com

Chaplain **Bill Thompson** - chapbillt@aol.com

Trips Officer **Vincent van den Brink** - vincentvdb1@yahoo.com

OP-Plan Editor **Hal McDonnel** - hmcddonnelz@yahoo.com

Web Editor **Ray LeCompte** - raylecompte34@gmail.com

THE GPS LUNCHEON MEETING

WILL BE HELD ON

THURSDAY, 9 JULY 2015

AT THE

GARDEN GROVE ELKS LODGE

LOCATED AT 11551 TRASK Ave., GARDEN GROVE

Hangar doors open at 1130, Luncheon is at 1200, secure at 1330.

Please make reservations before 9 PM on Monday 6 July 2015

COST IS \$15.00. FOR RESERVATIONS Please E-mail

RayLeCompte34@Gmail/com or by Phone: 562-287-4846

about our speaker's topic:



TRACKING THE MENACE

SOVIET SUBMARINE ANALYSIS AT THE CLOSE OF THE COLD WAR

About our speaker:

CAPT GERALD A. "JERRY" STOLL US NAVY (RETIRED)

Jerry Stoll is a retired Navy Intelligence Captain (O-6) who served on active duty from 1976 to 2006. He received a BA degree from the University of Notre Dame and was commissioned an Ensign through the NROTC program in May 1976.

CAPT Stoll served over 10 years of sea duty aboard the Frigate USS STEIN (FF 1065), and two tours aboard the Aircraft Carrier USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64). He completed 4 deployments to the Northern Pacific, Western Pacific, Indian Ocean and Arabian Gulf areas.

CAPT Stoll's shore tours include, Special Agent, Naval Investigative Service (San Francisco, CA); Staff

Intelligence Officer (N2) for Commander, Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, (Pearl Harbor, HI); Head, Submarine Analysis Group, Fleet Intelligence Center, Pacific Fleet, (Pearl Harbor, HI); Staff Intelligence Officer (J2) and Senior Navy Officer for Commander, Alaskan Command, (Elmendorf AFB, Anchorage, AK) and Staff Intelligence Officer (J2) for Commander, Joint Interagency Task Force West, (Alameda, CA).

In his final tour, CAPT Stoll was assigned to the Defense Intelligence Agency as Chief, Operating Base Los Angeles, where he led a workforce of 130 military and civilian personnel in 9 western U.S. cities in the collection of Human Intelligence.

CAPT Stoll is a qualified Surface Warfare Officer. He received numerous awards and medals in his Navy career. He retired in June 2006 in Los Angeles where he resides with his wife Bridget in Redondo Beach. He is a native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

About our June Luncheon:



Col. MIKE NAYLOR TELLS ABOUT DECISIONS

By Dick Fields GPS PAO

Gramps was inspired by USMC Colonel (Ret) Mike Naylor's presentation on "Decisions". This was a presentation that he originally prepared for a group of junior ROTC students as an aid to making critical life changing decisions. It described how his decisions resulted in his life experiences and especially how he got to be a Marine and a pilot. He was a pilot for President George H. W. Bush and a test pilot for the Marine Corps' new MV-22 Osprey aircraft that is taking over all the Corps' former helicopter functions.

Who am I

39 years ago

- Grew up suburbs of Pittsburgh, PA
- Varsity wrestling, 1st chair trombone in the band
- Average B-C student
- Spent summers on my dad's "hobby" farm and uncle's mapping company
- Dad served a couple of years in Army during Korean War
- Should I enlist and serve my country or go to college?

DECISION!

College – civil engineer or agriculture?

What did I do?

- Penn State University
- Dairy Science Degree
- Managed a Dairy Farm in NW PA 1.5 years – bad cow!
- Worked in auto body shop

DECISION !

- Serve my country
- Learn to fly!
- What service? USAF – only ones that fly airplanes?



His consideration included what makes you happy - what would you like to do, who would you like to be? Further he considered his sense of the impact his decisions would make on friends and family, the community and the world. He grew up in the suburbs of Pittsburgh, was an average student, wrestled, and played the trombone in the band. His father served in the Army in Korea and this was a consideration. Should he enlist or go to college? His decision was college. He earned a degree in Dairy Science since his family had a "hobby" farm. He went on to work on a dairy farm owned by farmer sick with leukemia. He worked for several months and then came into conflict with the owner over a bad cow that was endangering workers who were trying to work with it. Mike urged the owner to get rid of the cow but the owner refused and Mike quit on principal.

Following the dairy job he tried to get into the USAF but there were substantial delays. He then noticed a Marine poster, applied and was accepted. He was inducted into the Marine Corps and went to flight



Where did I end up?

- USMC – aviation guarantee
 - Officer Candidate School – OCS Quantico, VA (ROTC, Service Academy, VMI, Norwich, etc.)
 - The Basic School – TBS Quantico, VA
 - Flight School – Pensacola, FL

Decision!

Jets? Props?

Helos?



Decision!

What type helo – where?



school in Pensacola. He then went to the USMC base in Tustin and then became an instructor in Yuma. He served in the desert shield/storm activities in Iraq with the CH-46 helicopter squadron. After that he went back to Yuma where he worked on the V-22 Osprey testing operations and worked on designing the flight simulator.

V-22 operational testing & Flying the President



In 1992 he went to the White House and flew for George H. W. Bush. On Election Day, he flew the president from Houston. He also served during the first 3 years of the Clinton administration. He worked on a possible problem on the V-22 for helicopter pilots since the control responses for a V-22 are opposite for a CH-46 or any other helicopter. The question arose whether experienced helicopter pilots would learn to respond appropriately in each aircraft. His work proved that helicopter pilots could safely also fly the V-22. He then was assigned to the Pentagon where he served as Chief Assistant for Spending for two years. He served time as a U.S. Representative to the NATO command before he was required to retire after serving full 30 years in the military. His reaction to NATO was "no action, talk only".



C.O. Tim Brown thanks Mike Naylor.

He now works with PKL Services, a military aircraft maintenance company where he is VP of Plans and Strategy. Their logo shows a rowboat with the following values: Row True, Professionalism, Knowledge, Leadership and Service. They are located in Poway.

We are grateful to Mike for his exceptional service and contributions to the welfare of our country as well as his work to provide operational insight to the students for whom his presentation was designed.



C.O. COLUMN

By Tim Brown

On June 3, 2015, a few of our members traveled down to Camp Pendleton to participate in the memorial service for 4 members of HMLA-469, "Vengeance". The following is from a web news article posted on the 3d MAW website.

Family, friends and fellow service members gathered on the flight line to remember six fallen Marines from Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron (HMLA) 469, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing and Marine Corps Installations Pacific, at Marine Corps Air Station Camp Pendleton, California, June 3.

Capt. Dustin R. Lukasiewicz, 29, a UH-1Y pilot with HMLA-469 and a Harlan, Nebraska, native; Capt. Christopher L. Norgren, 31, a UH-1Y pilot with HMLA-469 and a Sedgwick, Kansas, native; Sgt. Ward M. Johnson IV, 29, a UH-1Y helicopter chief with HMLA-469 and a Seminole, Florida, native; Sgt. Eric M. Seaman, 30, a UH-1Y helicopter crew chief with HMLA-469 and a Riverside, California, native; Cpl. Sara A. Medina, 23, a combat photographer with MCIPAC, Okinawa, Japan, and a Kane, Illinois, native; and Lance Cpl. Jacob A. Hug, 22, a combat videographer with MCIPAC, Okinawa, Japan, and a Maricopa, Arizona, native, were killed when a UH-1Y Huey helicopter crashed north of of Charihot, Nepal, on May 12 in support of Operation Maitri.

It was a somber ceremony but well-attended. See the accompanying photo that identifies our members who attended.



Left to Right: George Del Gaudio, Dolores Hardy, Lorraine Dadamo, Vince van den Brink and Ray LeCompte (Photo by Tim Brown)

Colonel Mike Naylor made an excellent presentation on his experiences in the Marine Corps, moving from managing a dairy operation in civilian life to flying military aircraft for nearly 30 years. Quite a story! Unfortunately he did not have time to tell us why the V-22

"Osprey" was not selected to be part of HMX-1. Switching subjects, on 9 July we will be briefed by CAPT Jerry Stoll about Soviet submarine challenges during the Cold War. Remember those days? Next month we will have SOQ Awards and LTG David Berger will brief us on activities of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force which includes 3d Marine Air Wing.

Other recent events that I want to report to you are our attendance of an awards program at the Orange County Board of Education, and visits to Lyon Air Museum and Western Museum of Flight.

On 17 June the OC Board of Education announced the name of a local high school student who won the First Annual Jack R. Hammett Memorial Day Essay Contest Award. The student happened to be a student at the Sunburst Academy that is situated at JFTB Los Alamitos. Jack was a long time member of ANA, a Pearl Harbor Survivor, and President of the Orange County Freedom Committee among many other contributions to Orange County. Ray LeCompte and I represented GPS at the ceremony which was very positive and rewarding.

That same day, 17 June, Ray and I met Vince van den Brink at Lyon Air Museum to check it out in anticipation of making it a destination on a future trip by members of GPS. It is an excellent museum. Very well

managed. The building and the aircraft are immaculate. It is a very impressive collection. We met one of our members, Jim Angeley there. He is a docent at the museum.

Finally, on 24 June, Ray, Vince, George Del Gaudio met Cindy Macha at the Western Museum of Flight for a tour of that facility in anticipation of a trip by members of GPS. As you know, Cindy is the Executive Director of WMOF and is our newest Staff Member, taking over as Operations Officer arranging for speakers to brief GPS at our luncheons. George is a volunteer at WMOF but we had another volunteer as our guide and driver. Besides the aircraft and materials on display onsite, WMOF has four significant aircraft on display on the "pad" which is about a mile away from the Museum. At that location they have an F-14, T-38 (NASA a/c), YF-23A and YF-17. These are very significant aircraft in the history of aviation. We had a great tour and Vince is thinking of combining WMOF with a tour of the Robinson Helicopter Company manufacturing line because it is right next door.

At WMOF our tour guide wanted Ray or me to get into the seat of their F-5 for a photo opportunity. We both looked at the size of the cockpit and said no way, but that Vince should be able to fit. Here is a photo of Vince in the F-5.



Vince van den Brink (Photo by Cindy Macha)

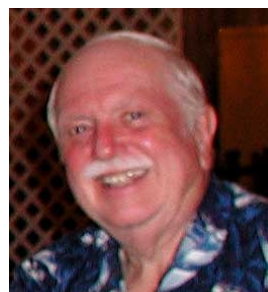
It was quite a month for activities. Now we turn to the month of July and our meeting on 9 July. Please try your best to attend and enjoy the company of your fellow members. Bring a guest whenever possible. Maybe you might suggest that they join ANA! And finally, just because Cindy has

filled a spot on the Staff that does not mean that we are all set for volunteers. We need new blood to take over jobs that many of us have been doing for years. If you appreciate what we do, help us out by volunteering to either take over or assist us.

The GREAT GUYS

Here are some of the Great Guys who have made contributions to Gramps in June. These guys and the members who attend the monthly luncheons are the ones who make possible Gramps' Sailor of the Quarter program and the Mailing of the OP-Plan. Members who do not attend the monthly luncheons should consider a contribution to cover the OP-Plan costs. Gramps and his staff thank them all and hope to see your name here. Gramps hosted 4 Sailors of the Quarter and their guest at the May luncheon. That takes a lot of giving by the Good Guys to cover costs.

**Bob Bell, Vince van den Brink,
Tim Brown, Bob Helton & Ray LeCompte.**



From The FLIGHT SURGEON

Bob Helton MD

Tips to keep Veterans from falling down: Health problems, changes in your vision, walking, and balance are some of the reasons you may be more likely to fall.

Certain kinds of medication may increase your risk of falls. Health problems like low blood sugar, high or low blood

pressure, muscle weakness, low endurance and joint pain can be managed but don't go away! Get your eyes checked once a year at least. You may have the wrong glasses, or a condition like glaucoma or cataract that limits your vision. Get your hearing checked every 2 years- your inner ear problem may affect your balance. Remove things you may trip over- papers, books, shoes, clothes- from stairs especially. Remove small throw rugs or use double sided tape to keep rugs from slipping. Keep items in cabinets where you don't need to use a step stool. Have grab bars put in next to your toilet and in the tub and shower. Use non-slip mats in bathtub and shower. Improve the lighting in your home.. reduce glare with curtains. Night lights or motion sensor lights can help. Have handrails and lights put on all staircases. Wear shoes inside and outside the house. Avoid going barefoot or wearing slippers. Consider padding sharp edges of furniture to prevent fall-related injuries. Eat breakfast and drink plenty of water. If you don't get enough to eat and drink, you may become dizzy and fall. Be sure to call your doctor if you fall and are hurt., and if you have any of these concerns: worrying about falling; feeling light-headed or dizzy more than once a day; falling suddenly without getting dizzy; losing your balance; taking blood thinners; feeling numbness in your legs or feet, or noticing a change in the way you walk. Stay well ! Dr. Bob Helton, Flight Surgeon

PLANES of FAME

By Fran Pieri

Our next two event days will be Saturday, August 1st and Saturday August 15. On the first we will be featuring "WHISTLING DEATH", featuring: Vought F4U-1A Corsair. On the 16th it will be "THE SPIRIT OF 1945" which is the 70th Anniversary of the end of WWII. Hanger doors open at 9:00am, seminar at 10:00am. Weather permitting the featured aircraft will be flown just after the seminar. The featured Corsair was used in the animated movie called AIRPLANES. The Corsair was called SKIPPER. Be sure to come early to take some photos and visit with friends. Carpooling is always a must for those of us who cannot drive. I'm there every Saturday. Hope to see you there. FRAN

ONE OF THE GREAT REASONS TO ATTEND GRAMPS' LUNCHEON IS MEETING FRIENDS FOR LUNCH AND KEEPING UP WITH WHAT'S NEW IN NAVAL AVIATION.



From the **CHAPLAIN**

Bill Thompson

When you are taken to the hospital or therapy center, the chaplain will make every effort to visit you. Ideally, someone will call the chaplain and the visit can be made at an appropriate time. So, make a mental note to call the chaplain --- 562 430 8438 --- or his cell phone --- 562 708 3515 --- so that our ANA

can lend its support to you in time of sickness or need. It is my privilege to serve as your chaplain. And I have learned that a brief visit may be as good as a long visit...having been a chaplain in a Navy Hospital for two years, in a Psychiatric Hospital for one year, and in V. A. Medical Centers for 27 years. My job is to lend support in time of need. --Bill Thompson



Counter clockwise from front: Suzanne Bell, John Porter, Agnes Porter, Hal Raish, Don Rosen, Art Brown, Bob Bell.



MEMBERSHIP

By Fran Pieri

Our next luncheon will be Thursday, July 9th. Come early to get a good seat and table and also to visit with friends. I know that many of us only get to see some of our friends at the luncheons. This gives us time to catch up. This time of year is

vacation time for some of us. If you are not vacationing, make it there and try to bring a friend or relative. Now is a good time to call in your reservations. This will give the chef a general count on the amount of meals to prepare. If you didn't call in, come anyway. We need the numbers and new members. If you have signed on a new member; thank you. Sometimes headquarters forgets to keep me informed on new members. Keep the blue side up. FRAN

MORE PICTURES FROM THE JULY LUNCHEON



GRAMPS'
NEW
OPERATIONS
OFFICER IS
ALREADY AT
WORK
GETTING
GREAT
SPEAKERS.